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SUBJ: MIYAZAWA VISIT: AGENDA

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1. FOLLOWING IS PRELIMINARY FOREIGN OFFICE LIST OF AGENDA ITEMS FOR FONMIN MIYAZAWA'S TALKS WITH SECRETARY, INCLUDING DESCRIPTIONS OF JAPANESE INTENTIONS ON EACH. LIST STRIKES US AS TOO LONG, AND PROBABLY REPRESENTS SAFE ESTIMATE BY BUREAUCRACY OF MAJOR TOPICS ON WHICH FOREIGN MINISTER MUST BE PREPARED. OBVIOUS VITAL SUBJECTS ARE JAPAN-US RELATIONS, SECURITY RELATIONS, INDOCHINA, AND MIDDLE EAST. FONOFF THINKING ON A NUMBER OF TOPICS IS VAGUE, PARTLY BECAUSE PAPERS ASSIGNED FOR PREPARATION ON BASIS OF LIST HAVE NOT BEEN COMPLETED AND PARTLY BECAUSE FOREIGN MINISTER HAS NOT SHARED HIS VIEWS WITH BUREAUCRACY.

2. ITEM 1 - JAPAN/US RELATIONS. THE GENERAL PURPOSE OF THE DISCUSSION WOULD BE TO UNDERLINE BRIEFLY THE IMPORTANCE TO JAPAN OF THE BILATERAL RELATIONSHIP. JAPANESE WILL WANT TO TOUCH BRIEFLY ON THE SCHEDULE OF POSSIBLE UPCOMING MEETINGS, INCLUDING A VISIT BY PRIME MINISTER MIKE AND ECONCOM X. SPECIFIC RECOMMENDATIONS ON PRIME MINISTER'S MEETING ARE LACKING AT THIS POINT. MIKI, WE BELIEVE, WILL NOT BE ABLE TO COMMIT HIMSELF TO A SCHEDULE OF ANY FIRMNESS UNTIL THE RESULTS OF LOCAL ELECTION ARE KNOWN.

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3. ITEM 2 - SECURITY RELATIONS. THE JAPANESE ARE LOOKING

FOR RENEWED ASSURANCES ON US NUCLEAR DEFENSE COMMITMENTS TO SATISFY SPECIFIC DOMESTIC NEEDS ARISING OUT OF THE DEBATE OVER NPT RATIFICATION IN JAPAN. WE WILL COVER THIS TOPIC IN DETAIL BY SEPTTEL.

4. ITEM 3 - INDOCHINA. THE JAPANESE ARE ANXIOUS TO HEAR THE SECRETARY'S VIEWS ON THE IMMEDIATE SITUATION IN INDOCHINA, HIS ESTIMATE OF WHAT IS LIKELY TO HAPPEN NEXT, AND ANY STATEMENT OF US POLICY INTENTIONS POSSIBLE IN THE CURRENT QUICKLY CHANGING CIRCUMSTANCES. THE JAPANESE SIDE REALIZES IT WILL HAVE TO DEFINE ITS OWN POLICY POSITION AND EXPLAIN ITS INABILITY TO SUPPORT THE REFUGEE SEALIFT, AND IT WILL BE PREPARED TO EXPLAIN ITS PLANS TO ASSIST WITH THE HUMANITARIAN CRISIS.

5. ITEM 4 - KOREA. KOREAN FONMIN KIM DONG-JO WILL HAVE JUST FINISHED VISITS TO BOTH WASHINGTON AND TOKYO. THE JAPANESE WOULD LIKE AN EXCHANGE OF VIEWS ON THE IMPORTANCE OF KOREA TO BOTH JAPAN AND THE US, STABILITY PROBLEMS, AND MUTUAL POLICY INTENTIONS. WE EXPECT LITTLE THAT IS NEW TO ARISE. EMBASSY WILL CABLE REPORT OF KIM-MIYAZAWA MEETING AS BACKGROUND.

6. ITEM 5 - MIDDLE EAST. MIYAZAWA IS DEEPLY INTERESTED IN HEARING THE SECRETARY'S ANALYSIS OF THE PROSPECTS FOR PEACE IN THE AREA. THE FOREIGN OFFICE HAS PRESSED US FOR A US POSITION ON CLOSER JAPANESE TIES WITH THE PLO.

7. ITEM 6 - ENERGY AND RESOURCES. THE FOREIGN OFFICE IS VAGUE ON SPECIFICS OF MIYAZAWA'S INTERESTS IN SUBJECT. THEY ENVISAGE A TWO-WAY DISCUSSION OF MULTILATERAL MEETINGS AND THE MEDIUM TERM PROSPECTS FOR HARMONIZATION OF PRODUCER-CONSUMER INTERESTS. WE SUSPECT THAT ATMOSPHERICS AT OUTSET OF PREPCOM OPENING APRIL 7 WILL INFLUENCE EXTENT TO WHICH MIYAZAWA WILL WISH DISCUSS US/GOJ/IEA ENERGY STRATEGY IN DEPTH. JAPANESE CAN BE EXPECTED TO STRESS OIL IMPORT DEPENDENCE TO JUSTIFY CAUTIOUS, NON-CONFRONTATION GOJ POSITION.

8. ITEM 7 - CHINA. THE JAPANESE WILL BE PREPARED TO EXCHANGE ANALYSES OF FUTURE RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN TOKYO, WASHINGTON, AND PEKING. THEY WILL BE INTERESTED, WE BELIEVE, CONFIDENTIAL

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IN THE SECRETARY'S VIEWS ON AN ANTI-HEGEMONY CLAUSE IN THE PEACE AND FRIENDSHIP TREATY.

9. ITEM 8 - OTHER. IN ADDITION TO THE ABOVE SUBJECTS, THE MINISTRY HAS IDENTIFIED THE FOLLOWING WHICH THEY DO NOT PROPOSE TO MAKE PART OF THE AGENDA BUT WILL BRIEF MIYAZAWA IN CASE THEY ARISE:

A. SOVIET UNION

B. LAW OF THE SEA

C. LATIN AMERICA WITH PARTICULAR REFERENCE TO CUBA.

10. FONOFF SPECIFICALLY BARRED FORMAL MENTION OF THE EMPEROR'S
VISIT IN THE CONTEXT OF THE "POLITICAL" KISSINGER/MIYAZAWA
MEETING, ALTHOUGH THEY SAID THEY WOULD THINK IT APPROPRIATE
IF IT BECAME KNOWN THAT THE US SIDE HAD MAKE CLEAR DURING THE
VISIT THAT USG AND AMERICAN PEOPLE LOOK FORWARD TO THE
EMPEROR'S COMING.
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